Construction Management Technology News

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**ENROLLMENT** — . Enrollment in the CMT program stands at 109 students. All indications suggest increasing enrollment. It is a tribute to the growing reputation of the program.

**EMPLOYMENT OF 2006 SENIORS** — By the time of graduation the only seniors that are not employed are those that do not want to be employed. Seniors indicate at least three employment offers for each senior. The average starting salary has jumped \$10,000 per year to around \$50,000 per year. One firm alone has hired five seniors. At least 75% of the seniors will be working in Maine or for Maine based firms.

<u>UNDERGRADUATE RESUMES</u> — Please consider contacting one or more undergraduates to meet your summer employment needs. Short bios of undergraduates are posted on-line at http://www.umaine.edu/set/cmt/ UndergradResumes.htm/

**DEAN'S LIST** — The following CMT students earned the honor of being recognized in the Fall 2005 Dean's list: Jeffrey Bailey, William Bannister III, Kevin Capponi, Robert Clark, Bradley Edwards, Lacey Fogg, Kathryn Hurley, Ryan Levesque, Matthew Love, Justin Loveitt, Daniel Lyons, Benjamin Manning, Jerard Murray, Brayden Sheive, and Marius Tawembe Mbopuhouo

**3.5 PRESIDENTIAL AWARD** — The Presidential Achievement award is made just one time in a student's studies at the University of Maine. Full-time students must attain a 3.0 grade point average or better for two consecutive semesters. The student must also achieve a 3.5 grade point average or better for the most recent semester. Very few students achieve this honor. The following students have achieved this honor: Jeffrey Bailey, Bradley Edwards, Lacey Fogg, and Jerard Murray.

**CMT ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP** — The CMT Alumni Scholarship is funded by contributions from CMT alumni. This is the first time this scholarship has been awarded. The recipient of the CMT Alumni Scholarship is Kathryn Hurley. Katie is an exceptional student and a junior in the CMT program.

**STEPHEN R. NELSON SCHOLARSHIP** — The Stephen R. Nelson Scholarship was funded by contributions in memory of Stephen Nelson. Steve was killed in a construction accident while employed by S.W. Cole. Jason Sanborn was awarded the Stephen R. Nelson Scholarship. Jason is a junior.

**<u>CMT SCHOLARSHIP</u>** — The CMT Scholarship is funded from contributions from the CMT faculty. The recipient of the CMT Scholarship is Kathryn Hurley.

**HOVEY AWARD** — The Hovey award is a scholarship given to an SET student. The scholarship rotates among the various programs. This year the Hovey award was given to Kathryn Hurley.

**AGC STUDENT CHAPTER** — Spring '06 was very busy for the AGC student chapter. Many of the members attended the Construction Expo and Build Maine Awards. The Chapter was also privileged to have a few ACM members visit the chapter on campus. These ACM members included: Sargent Corporation, Pike, and Cianbro. All these companies have hired students for the summer. All of the meetings were very well attended despite short notice on at least one occasion. About a dozen students attend the annual Industrial Advisory Committee meeting. The student members find the IAC meeting very rewarding because they can offer input about the CMT program directly to those in a position to make changes. Elections have taken place for next year officers. The new officers are, as follows:

- President Lacey Fogg
- Vice-President Kate Hurley
- Treasurer Ryan Levesque
- Secretary Rob Sampson

Associate Constructors Exam — With the Spring exam, all the seniors have taken the Associate Constructor's exam. As of this date, at least two-thirds of the students have passed this exam. Nationally, approximately 50% pass the exam. The exam tests students on all aspects of

construction management to include plan reading, surveying, materials, estimating, scheduling, writing, ethics, contracts, operations, etc.

WEB SITE MODIFICATION — Major revisions have been made to the CMT web site. Some links have been eliminated. Most links have been reshuffled. Check out the new web site at: http://www.umaine.edu/set/cmt/

**PROGRAM CHANGES** — Karl Ward has assumed new responsibilities and is no longer able to teach the construction safety course. Fortunately, the Associated Constructors of Maine has provided assistance by allowing Tim Janus to teach the one credit safety course. As a result of the increasing enrollment, plane surveying and construction surveying is now offered in both the Fall and Spring semester. There are plans to offer both courses in a three week intensive period in May 2007.

**<u>RECRUITING NEWS</u>** — Efforts at active recruiting have slowed since rising enrollment is outstripping resources. Surveys have indicated one of the most effective methods of recruiting is alumni contact with high school students and fellow employees. Keep up the good work and thank you for the spreading the good word.

<u>WILL MANION</u> — Will Manion plans to pursue an academic year sabbatical starting on 1 September 2006 working in the construction industry.

**FACULTY POSITION** — A request has been made to transfer a faculty position from general engineering to the CMT program. The request to fill this position currently waits for approval at the administration level. A fourth faculty position will allow the CMT program to handle additional sections required by the rising enrollment in the CMT program. **PROGRAM FUNDING** — Thanks to two generous contributors, the CMT program enjoys better funding then most programs. As a result, there are funds for such activities as the following: newsletter, ASC student competition, ASC membership, construction software purchases, and recruiting. The CMT faculty are sincerely grateful to all who have contributed to the program. Special thanks go to Eldon Morrison and Herbert Sargent for their gifts.

## **STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS**

If you would like to help fund the scholarship for students, make checks payable to the *University of Maine*. Note on the check "CMT Scholarship" or include the completed form with your check. Mail checks and form to:

	School of Engineering Technology Construction Management Technology 5711 Boardman Hall, Room 119 Orono, Maine 04469-5711
The	enclosed check is to be used for the:
	CMT Alumni Scholarship (any amount) CET Scholarship (any amount) Named Scholarship (\$5,000 minimum) Name of Scholarship: Merit Based: Yes No Other Limitations:

CMT shirts are provided for donations in excess of \$30 please. Check one box for size and another box for style.

Medium	🗌 Large	🗌 X-Large
	Polo Shirt (short sleeve)	Dress Shirt (long sleeve)